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RAINBOW FLOWER GARDENS

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

BUREAU OF PLANT INDUSTRY
Fruit and Vegetable Crops and Diseases

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INTRODUCTORY



In presenting this, our 1940 catalog and price list to our many friends and customers, we do so in the sincere belief, that we are offering healthy, high grade bulbs of finest quality.

We lay no claim to vast acreage or countless thousands of bulbs. We do claim to be careful select growers of top-notch quality stock. Our bulbs are free from disease and gladiolus thrip. **THEY ARE STATE INSPECTED, IN FIELD AND STORAGE.**

Large bulbs are $1\frac{1}{4}$ or more inches in diameter, designated by the letter L. Medium bulbs are $\frac{3}{4}$ to $1\frac{1}{4}$ inches in diameter designated by the letter M.

Medium bulbs will bloom this season, the large bulbs will produce larger, taller blooms.

For convenience of those who prefer to buy some varieties in quantity we have divided this catalog in two lists. Our Prepaid List and Wholesale List. In the Prepaid List we pay the transportation charges, in the Wholesale List the customer pays the transportation charges.

We prefer to ship all wholesale orders by Express. If your express office is different than your postoffice, please give both. If you desire your wholesale order shipped by Parcel Post, please include Parcel Post charges.

Please do not ask us to fill any item for less than 10c or any order for less than \$1.00.

Six or more bulbs may be had at the dozen rate. Our terms are cash with order or one-fourth cash, balance C. O. D. We carry no charge accounts.

Early orders are appreciated. We start planting just as soon as the soil is in condition; usually in April. Some varieties are not available after May 1st. Every customer who orders prior to April 1st will receive a surprise package.

In common with other growers we do not guarantee the crop. All stock offered subject to prior sale.

Make all money orders, drafts, checks and address all communications to

RAINBOW FLOWER GARDENS

1403 Walnut

Huntington, Indiana

DESCRIPTIVE LIST OF GLADIOLUS BULBS

. . . from . . .

Rainbow Flower Gardens

Huntington,

Indiana

Aflame—Begonia rose red. Large florets. Strong graceful spike.

Large bulbs 5c each.
Per dozen 40c

Albatross—One of the newer whites. Florets are shaped similar to a lily bloom. Tall strong grower.

2 Large bulbs for 15c
Per dozen 50c

Bagdad—Smoky old rose. A very beautiful flower. Large blooms with many open.

Large bulbs 5c each.
Per dozen 40c

Betty Nuthall—Beautiful coral pink with yellow throat markings. Strong tall grower. One of the best late varieties.

Large bulbs 5c each.
Per dozen 40c

Break O' Day—Cream pink. Very early.

Large bulbs 5c each.
Per dozen 30c

Brightside—The glad of many colors. Predominant color being canary yellow blended with orange. Ruffled. The glad that is different.

2 Large bulbs for 15c
Per dozen 50c

Commander Koehl—Large tall red. A very fine glad.

Large bulbs 5c each.
Per dozen 50c

Crimson Glow—Large deep crimson. This is one of the best of the older reds.

Large bulbs 5c each.
Per dozen 30c

Debonair—A light pink with cream throat. A tall straight variety that is destined to become very popular.

Large bulbs 5c each.
Per dozen 40c

Dream O' Beauty—Rose red, with large flowers. One of the popular new varieties.

Large bulbs 5c each.
Per dozen 40c

Dr. Durr—Cream white, one of the earliest cream whites.

Large bulbs 5c each.
Per dozen 50c

Early Dawn—Geranium pink. Early. Large, vigorous glad.

Large bulbs 5c each.
Per dozen 40c

Dr. Nelson Shook—Deep dark rose. A very strong vigorous grower. Thrifty, sturdy foliage.

Large bulbs 5c each.
Per dozen 40c

Golden Dream—A tall vigorous yellow with medium florets, which resemble rosebuds. A really good yellow.

Large bulbs 5c each.
Per dozen 30c

Los Angeles—Soft delicate pink. Medium size bloom. Good propagator.

Large bulbs 5c each.
Per dozen 30c

Lucifer—Orange scarlet, with purplish red blotch. Massive spikes, a thrifty grower.

Large bulbs 8c each.
Per dozen 60c

Maid of Orleans—White with cream throat. Tall grower, large bloom. 6 to 8 open. One of the best whites for cutting.

Large bulbs 6c each.
Per dozen 50c

Margaret Fulton—Salmon pink, early. Strong healthy grower. Does not sunburn easily. A very reliable glad.

Large bulbs 5c each.
Per dozen 40c

Marmora—Slate gray, with pale purple blotch. An outstanding smoky. Tall sturdy grower, 8 to 10 large, well placed bloom. Many open. A real glad.

Large bulbs 5c each.
Per dozen 30c



Mildred Louise—Strawberry pink. Strong grower. Blooms are large. It is in great demand as a cut flower.

Large bulbs 5c each.
Per dozen 40c

Minuet—Light pinkish lavender. One of the best behaved glads that grow. Straight spike, good placement, large bloom. Many open. Easily the most popular lavender.

Large bulbs 5c each.
Per dozen 40c

Miss Greeley—Dark pink. Large florets. Many open. Large bulbs 5c each.
Per dozen 50c

Orange Queen—Tall light orange. Medium size bloom. Its dependable habits still make it very popular as a cut flower variety.

Large bulbs 5c each.
Per dozen 30c

Phyllis McQuiston—A gorgeous pure pink. Tall, strong straight spike. A leader among the pure pinks. Large bulbs 8c each.
Per dozen 60c

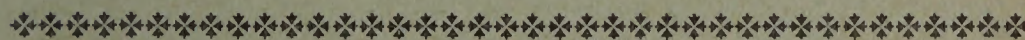
Picardy—Shrimp pink with silver sheen. Tall strong grower, large bloom, many open. Picardy still leads the procession. Its popularity is well deserved. Large bulbs 5c each.
Per dozen 30c

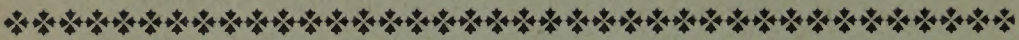
Pride of Wanakah—Deep rich red. Very beautiful when well grown. Large bulbs 5c each.
Per dozen 30c

Queen of Bremen—Lavender with cream throat. One of the first to bloom on small wiry stems. Medium size bloom. Very fine for basket work. Large bulbs 5c each.
Per dozen 30c

Red Lory—Rose red. A giant among glads. Tall, many open, large bloom. Large bulbs 5c each.
Per dozen 40c

Red Phipps—One of the most desirable reds. A very desirable commercial. Large bulbs 5c each.
Per dozen 40c



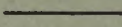


Star of Bethlehem—One of the largest and finest of the new whites.

Large bulbs 10c each.
Per dozen \$1.00

Wasaga—Clear glowing buff. Different and pleasing.
Beautiful for basket work.

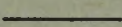
Large bulbs 6c each.
Per dozen 50c



RAINBOW MIXTURES—We are proud of our Rainbow Mixtures and unhesitatingly recommend it to all those who do not care to grow named varieties. If you wish to grow some glads for church, or to give a sick friend or for home adornment you will make no mistake in selecting our Rainbow Mixture. We offer this wonderful mixture in two sizes, Large and Medium. The medium size will all bloom but will not be so large or tall as the large bulbs.

L bulbs, per dozen 30c
L bulbs, 50 for \$1.00
L bulbs, 100 for \$1.50
M bulbs, per dozen 20c
M bulbs, 100 for \$1.00

These offers are prepaid.



“Your Money’s Worth or Your Money Back”

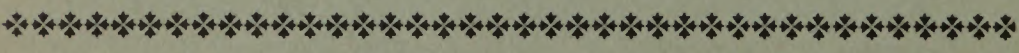


WHOLESALE PRICES—NOT PREPAID

	Per 1000—Large	Medium
Bagdad -----	\$10.00	\$ 6.00
Betty Nuthall -----	\$10.00	\$ 6.00
Break O’ Day -----	\$10.00	\$ 6.00
Crimson Glow -----	\$10.00	\$ 7.00
Debonair -----	\$12.00	\$ 8.00
Dr. Nelson Shook -----	\$10.00	
Golden Dream -----	\$10.00	
Los Angeles -----	\$ 8.00	\$ 5.00
Marmora -----	\$10.00	\$ 6.00
Mildred Louise -----	\$20.00	
Minuet -----	\$18.00	
Orange Queen -----	\$ 8.00	
Picardy -----	\$10.00	\$ 7.00
Queen of Bremen -----	\$10.00	
Mixture -----	\$ 8.00	\$ 5.00

All wholesale prices are F. O. B. Huntington, Ind.

Orders for 200 or more bulbs of the same size and variety may be had from the wholesale list.



DAHLIAS

We are offering below a short list of select Dahlias. Prices are per single tuber. Prepaid. Deliveries will start in April.

- Acquisition**—A splendid lilac ball dahlia. 25c
- A. D. Lavoni**—A free blooming shell pink show dahlia. 15c
- Baby Royal**—A semi-cactus miniature. Salmon pink shaded apricot. 25c
- Blue River**—Formal decorative. A lavender blue dahlia of much merit. 35c
- Buckeye Peach**—Formal decorative. Peach shade, fine for cutting. 25c each
- California Idol**—A giant clear lemon yellow. Informal decorative. Blooms early. Good stems. One of the big dahlias that is easily grown. 35c
- Cavalcade**—A medium size, free flowering. Formal decorative. Good stems. Color, rich mulberry rose. 25c
- Charlotte Caldwell**—Ball type. Bright orange, shaded terra cotta. Free bloomer. 35c
- Graff Zeppelin**—A splendid white. Good stems. Formal decorative. 25c
- Hunt's Velvet Wonder**—An informal decorative of large size. A strong grower. Color, dark rose magenta shading to purple. 30c
- Joe Fette**—A pure white pompon of exceptional value. 25c
- Johnny**—Bright red pompon. 25c
- Jane Cowl**—A very beautiful informal decorative. Blended bronze, buff and brilliant gold. A free bloomer of fine flowers. 20c
- Jersey's Beauty**—Probably the most widely grown dahlia. A formal decorative of rich easive pink. One of the finest cut flower varieties. 20c
- Mrs. Geo. Le Boutillier**—Informal decorative. Exhibition red. Large flowers on long stems. An outstanding red. 50c
- Mrs. Ida de Ver Warner**—Formal decorative. A beautiful shade of mauve pink. An early consistent bloomer. Fine for cutting. 15c
- Orchid Lady**—An outstanding orchid pink miniature. 20c
- White Gem**—A beautiful pure white miniature. Good stems. Fine for cutting. 25c
- Rainbow Mix Dahlias**—Not labeled as to variety or color. Many outstanding dahlias will be found in this collection. All are good cut flower varieties. 10c each; \$1.00 per dozen.

